

## Demonstration and Protest Activity Update November 2005

### INFORMATION ON VIOLENT RIOTS IN PARIS SUBURBS

For almost 12 days, violent riots have been on-going in various Paris suburbs and has spread to other parts of France. To Date, there has been no targeting of tourists and only one incident in Paris itself at the Place de la Republique in which 5 cars were burned. Nearest to Benelux, in Northern France there have been several incidents. Although to date nothing has occurred in Lille itself, incidents have occurred in the surrounding cities of Roubaix, Tourcoing, Maubeuge and Lens. On Saturday and Sunday night, some 50 vehicles were burned in Roubaix and 10 in Tourcoing.

Other affected areas in France: Legend

- Affected city/area
- red circle with # of burnt vehicles



There is a good chance that what has happened in France may spread to other European cities with similar disaffected communities. An example of this, is Sunday evening, in the suburb of Sint Gillis of Brussels, a suburb with many migrants around the Brussels South rail road station, five cars were set on fire. Nobody was arrested and only material damages were suffered.

We continue to recommend to steer clear of any of these communities and to keep Alert to any changes in the situation by watching the news, and/or contacting your security officer.

